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man annually plunges the national capital the tropic breezes and West Indian trade winds must inevitably be gracious and refreshing.
Critics of the proposed commission should remember that its senatorial denunciations have been North-south, East-west, and that a fat roll of mileage is at his command.

MAYOR MOORE'S VETO KILLS THE GAS-GRAB ORDINANCE

His Message Pulverizes the Project by the Weight of Irresistible Logic
MAYOR MOORE with courage has risen to the occasion and protected the interests of the people by vetoing the Hall gas-grab ordinance.
There was never any justification for that ordinance save a desire to get to the relief of a rich corporation that professed to be in financial straits. It was drawn without any consideration of the great mass of facts presented in the report of the Gas Commission.

MURKY WHITEWASH!

THE report with which a committee in Council yesterday presumed to dispose of the scandal created by reports of solicitation and bribery involving Councilman Limestoneburner, A. B. Schmidt, of the Sears-Robinson Company, and a scheme for a trolley line and the other members of the committee generally with disgust and derision.
The committee found nothing to suggest wrongdoing on the part of anybody. It found nothing to reflect on the honor of any individual member. Why, then, did it not do the simple and rational thing and have Mr. Schmidt, who set the people in circulation, return to disport them? The departure of Schmidt had a disconcerting suggestion of flight.

UNCLE DAVE AT EIGHTY-TWO

UNCLE DAVE LANE'S characterization of Mayor Moore as "a dead duck" surprised no one who knows The Sage. Wasn't Uncle Dave celebrating his birthday in the historic manner by saying the most unpleasant thing he could think of about the man who has been his friend and his foe for most of a man who can be aggressive at eighty-two is not to be sneezed at. Uncle Dave has an interesting side to his character. And what he says of men and politics and the future doesn't greatly matter. We have heard it all before. It is all true of the Lanes and their followers. But there is an increasing number of people of whom it is not true. But The Sage doesn't know the rising generation. He sees it only through a mist.

POLITICS IN WARD DIVISION

DISSATISFACTION over the commission's recommendation for dividing the Twenty-second Ward is not surprising. Germantown citizens justly complain that the commission was not impartial, as one member at least was committed to division of the ward before any testimony was taken.
The Court is asked to set aside the report and to appoint a new commission to consider the matter.
This may be the best way out of the muddle so far as the Twenty-second Ward is concerned. But it does not touch upon the larger question of a revision of the ward boundaries in the whole city.

JAPAN'S ACCEPTANCE

ONE portion of the preliminary acceptance given by Japan to the conference proposal is sufficiently explicit to justify the reported satisfaction in Washington. The assent of the Tokyo Government that the "Pacific and Far Eastern question" has been definitely attained.
Delicately questionable, however, is the Japanese "understanding" of conditions which Secretary Hughes imposed—conditions which to the occidental mind seem to have been stated with conspicuous clarity in the note delivered by the American chargé d'affaires at Tokyo on July 23.
The Imperial Government would not press its inquiry as to the nature and scope of the Pacific and Far Eastern problems to be discussed.

CONGRESSIONAL DISCOURTESY CONCERNING AN UNPROMISING INVESTIGATION

As a matter of fact, the real reason for dividing the Twenty-second Ward is to make a separate ward of that part of the district in which the supporters of the contractor regime live, so as to strengthen contractor control of the Republican City Committee.
If this plan were accomplished a plan to combine two or three of the little wards into a larger one would be completely justified for it. But the contractor politicians merely wish to retain all as they were and to increase it as much as possible.

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AS ONE WOMAN SEES IT

Accident That Gave Point to the Wisdom of Romain Rolland Concerning the Eyes of Youth

By SARAH D. LOWRIE
PHRASE in the last translated book of Romain Rolland, "Clerambault," gave me pause the other day.
As they grow older there are very few men willing to let life take its own course and who are generous enough to look at the future through the eyes of their juniors.

HOOCHEM AND THE POLICE

IT is clear that part of the argument is presented before the Civil Service Commission in defense of policemen in Frankford who appear to know too much or too little about the conditions behind the tale of a \$50,000 whisky burglary in their district will be a complete solution of the art and science of bootlegging.
The investigation urged by Superintendent Mills is to be two-edged. The superintendent contends flatly that there was no burglary of the dimension reported.

A PLAIN GUM GAME

THE fully qualified appointment by Mayor Moore of a City Architect was optimistically believed to be a dead end.
The day of reckoning for the transactions comes when the wholesaler has dispensed his stocks without having receipts from authorized purchasers to protect his bond and keep him from jail.
In the prohibition enforcement offices here and everywhere else there are stories of empty warehouses broken open by burglars hired by the owner of the place. Whisky barrels filled with water—have been rolled out in the night of most law-abiding citizens.
Revolvers have been fired—in the air. But even the enforcement officers cannot arrest a man because his warehouse was robbed.

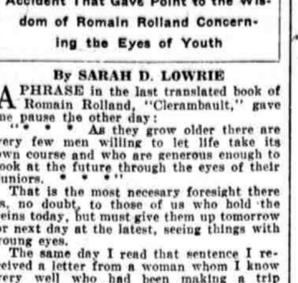
TRYING ON FOREIGN SHOES

If the matter of Japan's position is accepted as a matter of course, it is accepted as a matter of course that Japan has fallen a victim to it in understanding that the American Government "considers it advisable to adjust in that agenda the nature and scope of the Far Eastern questions to be discussed."
If this is the case, it is not surprising that the Oriental subtleties, some conventional notions of the wisdom of the East are in need of revision.

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THAT'S DONE



THEN, as soon as they were actually off, I was amazed and correspondingly relieved to find them so care-free about the difficulties of the trip—the thermometer hovering about 100 degrees, a complicated network of routes in a greatly overcrowded accommodations.
It was the first time she had traveled with them, since they were small children with nurses and governesses for pleasure, and she was enchanted to find how merry and casual they were off on what they called "a pleasure excursion."

THE story which that letter unfolds makes clearly the latent resources of the modern girl or boy and shows, I think, that although they may not meet pleasure more effectively than the best of their parents' generation they do meet danger and tragedy with greater resourcefulness and quietude.
I quote the letter, somewhat abbreviated: "I am writing a full account to you of what has happened—not so much to us as to the people who are interested in it. I have already got into the papers and that you have been alarmed for fear we were involved. I shall for the same reason telegraph you about our most serious moments."

DR. ALEXANDER B. ARTHUR
On the Nutrition Problem
NUTRITION, both from the standpoint of present welfare and the future of the race, is one of the most important and least understood subjects that concern the average person, according to Dr. Alexander B. Arthur, director of the nutrition class of the Children's Homeopathic Hospital.

Environment Is Important
The question of environment is an important one in considering the case of the under-nourished child. Cleanliness of mind and body, both in the child and its environment, is a vital thing. In fact, one cannot stress too strongly the psychology of the clean mind. More than a casual observer can possibly see, this factor plays a very big part in its effect on the child's development.

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One thing that must be remembered is the fact that the child is father of the man. As it grows to maturity its whole status will probably be affected by the foundation which was laid in the early months of its life.

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NOW MY IDEA IS THIS

Daily Talks With Thinking Philadelphians on Subjects They Know Best

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SHORT CUTS

The farmers' bloc seems to have been effectually blocked.
Mayor Moore has added a little hatchet to the gas man's kit.
John Bartergreen these days seems to be talking with a Scotch burr.

And now we may never know just what was back of the seizure of the nine big ships.
This hot weather is terribly hard, we'll tell the world, on ladies who use rouge and lip sticks.

Before prohibition changed the trade somewhat it was only lager that came in schooners.
The divine right of Kings, we hasten to remind Governor Len Small, includes the right to abdicate.

"Now where in Sam Hill," we seem to hear old Doc Sawyer complaining, "is my San Browne belt?"
The demand for the release of American prisoners in Russia has now been made plain enough for even a Soviet official to understand.

To most people the Disarmament Conference has a halo of hope, though the New York World continues to view it with doubt and misgiving.
A sales tax demands your money, but doesn't take it out of your pocket when you're not looking. Which would you rather do, hand out a dime or lose a quarter?

What the Administration seeks to do is to permit Uncle Sam to sell a few securities in order to help a lame railroad dog to live in the style to which it was accustomed to.

Social workers report that babies in homes and hospitals show supreme content for daylight-saving hours. Let 'em. It's their privilege. Let the fact go on record that bedtime is dusktime, as heretofore, and not before dusk; and getting up time is when they've had all the sleep they want, and not before.

What Do You Know?
QUIZ
1. Who usually administers the oath of office to the President of the United States?
2. What is the meaning of the term agenda as used in the language of diplomacy?
3. What does the abbreviation Alfa signify?
4. Which is the "Crescent City"?
5. Who was Ik Marvel?
6. Which of the England State produces the most tobacco?
7. Who was the German Ambassador to the United States immediately preceding the severance of diplomatic relations with Germany in 1917?
8. Where and what is Esquimaux?
9. Under what piece of Federal legislation are the railroads of the United States now being operated?
10. What is the original meaning of the word hippodrome?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz
1. One hundred pounds make a quintal.
2. Santiago de Chile is the capital of Chile.
3. Medusa in classical mythology was chief of the Gorgons. Her head was cut off by Perseus. The Gorgons were three twenty-year-old women whose looks turned any beholder to stone.
4. Laburnums are small trees with bright yellow flowers.
5. The expression "innocuous desuetude" was popularized by Grover Cleveland in his message of March 1, 1885, in which he wrote, "After an existence of nearly twenty years, these laws are brought forth."
6. The word gneiss, the name of a kind of quartz, may be pronounced "gnose," or "nice."
7. Esparto is a kind of rush imported from Spain for paper-making.
8. The father of Queen Victoria was Edward, Duke of Kent, fourth son of George III.
9. General McDowell commanded the Union Army at the first battle of Bull Run in 1861.
10. A fantasy is an old English hunting cry. Medusa in classical mythology was chief of the Gorgons. Her head was cut off by Perseus. The Gorgons were three twenty-year-old women whose looks turned any beholder to stone.